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President's Message

Boas Festas! Merry Christmas! May your hearts be filled with the true blessings of Christmas, joy, hope, and love with a healthy, happy, and prosperous New Year ahead!

It has been an awesome year celebrating 40 years of Lusitano with the many Club activities, and rounding the year off with the Encontro trip and our Annual Christmas party. Many new and rekindled friendships were made during our most enjoyable trip to Japan, Macau, and Hong Kong; and it was simply wonderful to return back to celebrate Christmas with our members and their families.

Thank you to the Conselho das Comunidades Macaenses, IIM, APOMAC, Club Lusitano, and Club de Recreio for hosting us. We look forward to meeting up with everyone again hopefully at the next Encontro in three years.

It has been a pleasure serving as your President and Editor this year with our magnificent team of directors and volunteers whom I thank dearly and applaud for their hard work and dedication to promote our Macanese heritage, culture and gastronomy. Special thanks also to Fundação Oriente Portugal for sponsoring our quarterly Lusitano Bulletin.

Our first upcoming event in 2025 will be our Annual General Meeting and Elections followed by our Chinese New Year Party on February 2nd at the Macau Cultural Center in Fremont. We are also selling tickets for the Portuguese Heritage Night Game on February 3rd with the Warriors. Hope to see you there.

Best wishes to you and your families.

Sincerely,
Maria C. Roliz, President

2025 Dues Reminder

Annual membership fees are due every January 1st regardless when you joined. No invoices will be mailed. Please mail your check payable to Lusitano Club, 7222 Cutting Blvd, El Cerrito, CA 94530 if you have not already sent in your payment. For convenience, you can also zelle, paypal or venmo your payment to Maria Roliz at 415.990.5534. Thank you!

Members (ages 19-61) \$20

Seniors (ages 62 & over) \$15

Juniors (ages 12-18) \$10

Canada & overseas members \$25

2025 Calendar of Events

Sun, Feb 2: AGM/Chinese New Year Dinner Dance, MCC, Fremont

Mon, Feb 3 (7pm): Portuguese Heritage Night Warriors, Chase Center

Buy your tickets now! Cost: \$105 Bridge seats with Lusitano & Consul General of Portugal. Pre-game shoot around experience included.

\$65 upper and \$140 lower level seats are also available.



PORTUGUESE HERITAGE NIGHT
Golden State Warriors
vs. Orlando Magic
Monday, February 3, 2025
7pm Chase Center

SAVE THE DATE – GATHER YOUR FAMILY & FRIENDS AND JOIN US IN CELEBRATING PORTUGUESE HERITAGE NIGHT WITH THE WARRIORS AT CHASE CENTER!

COST:
\$105 BRIDGE SEATS with Lusitano Club
\$65 UPPER LEVEL SECTION 212
\$140 LOWER LEVEL SECTION 127 or 128

PURCHASE YOUR TICKETS now! No fees!
MARIA ROLIZ / 415.990.5534 / lusitanoclubusa@gmail.com

Sat, Mar 8 (7pm):

Portuguese Heritage Night San Jose Sharks.

Cost: Upper level \$50. Lower level \$90.

Email us now to purchase your tickets!

Sat, Apr 26*: Annual Clambake

May*: Casino Day Trip. Email us if interested to help us plan accordingly

Sat, Jun 14: Dia de Portugal,

Portuguese Historical Museum, San Jose

Sat, Jun 21: Dia de São João Mass & Lunch, MCC, Fremont

Sat, Jun 21*: Lusitano Cooking Class, MCC

Jun 25-28*: Luso-American Education Summer Youth Cultural Camp

Sun, Jul 20: Annual Picnic, San Mateo Beresford Park

Thur, Jul 31: Application deadline for Lusitano Scholarship grant

Aug/Sept*: Bowling Social

Sun, Oct 12: Our Lady of Fatima Mass & Lunch, Walnut Creek

Sat, Dec 13: Annual Christmas Dinner Dance

** Tentative dates subject to change*



PORTUGUESE HERITAGE GROUP NIGHT

San Jose Sharks VS NY Islanders

MARCH 8, 2025 | 7:00PM

TICKETS STARTING AT:
UPPER LEVEL - \$50
LOWER LEVEL - \$90

FOR TICKETS CONTACT: LEONARDO XAVIER
925-726-9543 | LEONARDOXAVIERMAIL@GMAIL.COM

**Lusitano Annual General Meeting (AGM)
and Elections of Directors & Officers
Sunday, February 2, 2025 3pm
Macau Cultural Center, 109 J St, Fremont, CA 94536**

Our Annual General Meeting & Elections is held once a year where a new Board is elected for a one-year term with a maximum of five consecutive terms. Since we have an uncontested slate for 2025, we will vote in our new Board by acclamation on February 2, 2025 and mailing of ballots or proxies voting will not be required this time. Please join us at our AGM at the Macau Cultural Center on February 2, 2025 3pm to thank our outgoing Board and welcome our new Board, share your ideas, and celebrate the New Year with us at our Chinese New Year Dinner Dance to follow.

The nominees for the 2025 Lusitano Board are as follows:

Director & President: Leonardo Xavier

Director & Vice-President: Maria Roliz

Director & Secretary: Jessica Xavier

Director & Treasurer: Dorothy Oliveira

*Directors: Michael Carion, Maria Joao da Cruz, Chris daRoza,
Justin Estep, Jackie Gutierrez, Ken Harper, Kirk Harper*

**LUSITANO CHINESE NEW
YEAR DINNER DANCE**

Sunday, February 2nd, 2025 5:30 - 10pm

MACAU CULTURAL CENTER

109 J ST, FREMONT

*Come join us as we welcome in The Year
of the Snake and our 2025 Board of
Directors with a Chinese Buffet Dinner
& Music by DJ Magic Matt*



Cost:

Members \$25.00/Non-members \$30.00

**RSVP to lusitanoclubusa@gmail.com or Jessica at (925) 354-7999
Please mail check payable to Lusitano by January 18th to
Lusitano, 7222 Cutting Blvd, El Cerrito, CA 94530**

Annual Christmas Party

by *Jessica Xavier*

We had a very, very Merry Christmas party on December 14th. 180 members, families and friends joined us at the San Mateo Elks Lodge. The children were excitedly greeted by our own Santa Eric Ribeiro who brought a gift for each of them. Cecilia Naval, gracious as always, took photos of Santa with each kid and also of the attendees. A photo booth which many enjoyed was also part of the fun. As per tradition, the American and Portuguese National Anthems were sung by Tracy Baker and Eric Ribeiro followed by grace. Everyone enjoyed the delicious buffet and of course, our Macanese appetizers of “Chilicotes” and “Calikoks”, made by Dorothy Oliveira, Maria João da Cruz, Hunter Choi, Jackie Gutierrez and Maria Roliz. Eating, talking and laughing filled the lodge. Many who just returned in the past few days, shared memories and stories from the recent Encontro. Throughout the evening, the dance floor was filled with people dancing the night away with sounds from DJ Magic Matt.

Thank you to the Lusitano Board and all our participants for a festive evening and all those that supported our Christmas “Genete de Cornstarch” and raffle sale benefiting our annual scholarship grant. Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!







MERRY Christmas

Photos
courtesy
of
Cecilia Naval

Macau Cultural Center

Nossa Senhora de Fatima Celebration

by Pauline de Assis



Sunday, October 13th 2024, a beautiful Fall day, was when members of the three Casas, gathered once again in Walnut Creek's St. Anne's Catholic Church to commemorate the third and last miraculous apparition of Our Lady to the three shepherd children in Fatima, Portugal.

To be sure, it was a solemn, yet uplifting experience to think back and "re-live" such a marvelous miracle of miracles of our Blessed Mother coming on earth, appearing to three shepherd children, and leaving messages for the world to listen and heed.

The 11am Mass was officiated by our own FiloMac priest, Father George daRoza. As usual, Casa members gathered on the left side of the Church while many others were scattered around the church. Father George mentioned that as it was the Feast of Our Lady of Fatima, there was a group of Macau persuasion parishioners who were there to honor, pray and reflect on the miracle of the apparition of Our Lady of Fatima. He ended the Mass asking the parishioners to pray the "Hail Mary".

With Mass over, the group hastened to their cars to ride over to Creekside in Rossmoor, in the Fairway Room by the golf course, for a home cooked lunch prepared by our own Casa chefs. While the luncheon table was being set up, the hungry and thirsty members found their seats, then went over to the coffee/tea counter to get their thirst quenchers.

While Casa members chatted or perhaps reminisced, Maria Roliz took to the podium and with the mic, welcomed everyone to the celebration of Our Lady's Feast Day meal and, ending in a prayer, called out the first table number to queue up for the yummy meal of Minchi, Chicken Curry, and Napa Cabbage with Chinese Sausage and Funsee (Vermicelli bean thread noodles), all prepared by Dorothy and her sous chefs, plus rice, of course. Some went back for seconds and before long, the pans were practically empty because the food was mmm, mmm, good! See all the photos which Maria snapped at each table, not forgetting the food table, ahuh.



Well, we couldn't forget about dessert, right? So, Robert Leitao, our Flan expert, brought out three platters of Flan. Also, for the taking, was Joanne Ribeiro's Bebinca de Leite and, as an extra sweet, Bagi, the coconut rice dessert. Wow, the queue started right away so each could get their "fair share" if you will, and there was plenty to go around.



Everyone enjoyed this special event celebrated by the Casas. Maria Roliz coordinated all the different aspects of these three casas get together, and what better way to celebrate such a memorable occasion as the Nossa Senhora de Fatima than to honor Her with the celebration of Mass and a festive and delicious meal!

Many thanks to Maria, Robert, Joanne, Dorothy, Maria Joao, and the many hands who helped cook, set up, serve, etc., to make this event one that we all cherish and love to participate in every year in honor of our Blessed Mother!







Macau Cultural Center (MCC)

If you are interested in learning Portuguese or Mandarin or taking yoga classes at the Macau Cultural Center, please email us at macauculturalcenter@gmail.com. We look forward to seeing everyone at our 2025 MCC events.

Wishing you a very Merry Christmas and a Joyous 2025

President: Maria Roliz Vice-President: Sandy Souza

Secretary: Robert Leitao Treasurer: Dorothy Oliveira

**Directors: Maria Joao da Cruz, Elsa Denton,
Joanne Ribeiro, Geraldina Wong, Robert Wong**

Macau Encontro - Four Times a Charm

by Robert Roliz



People often ask me if I've been to the Encontro. And I always say, "I've been there four times now!"

Then, they ask, "Do you like it?" And I say, "It depends on what you like."

Everyone has their own reasons for going. Some people just want to explore Macau, Hong Kong, and other places on their own. While others go to catch up with old friends and make new ones, like me. But almost everyone enjoys the breakfast at their hotel and the all-you-can-eat buffet at the Encontro events, if they happen to attend. No matter what they're interested in, you're almost certain to see people from all the different Casas de Macau come

and go to different places of their own interests, whether there are paid or free tours being offered.

I've always loved to go with the flow. I don't need a super-planned itinerary. My main goal has always been to meet people of all ages and backgrounds from different ethnic groups and cultures. They all come together at this big event, with 13 different Casas or people from all over the world, to learn about our shared Macanese history and what it means to be Macanese.

I'm so grateful to have been able to go to this event with the people I love. My family and friends have always been my rock, making sure I'm happy and having fun. It seems like most people want to go with a partner or friends, relax, and enjoy the sights and sounds, just like tourists exploring new places.

In the past, the events were more diverse and inclusive, letting people experience our cultural heritage and traditions. For example, I remember watching the Patuá Show in 2007. It was a funny theater play with local actors dressed in old costumes, who entertained us with the old Macanese spoken words in Patuá, like it was the yesteryears of old Macau.

I was looking for an immersive experience this time, but even though I didn't quite find it, I was just happy to be here, soaking in all the energy and meeting all the many wonderful people, both old and new. It was incredible to come with my almost 97 year old mom, who's so young and free-spirited, inspiring me and many others, while we explored Macau and other places on guided tours or on our own with family and friends.

I'm so grateful to see a different side of humanity where there were so many kind and caring family and friends who helped my mom out when she needed it most. Glynis Esmail for accompanying my mom in the Zhuhai trip into China, Mary Alsheikh for making sure my mom was well-rested during the Museum de Macau, and my super cool and lovely cousins Augusta "Girlie" Leitao Rosas, Maria Lippi Schwartz, and Claudia Swanson all for going above and beyond to make sure my mom was comfortable and happy. They even took turns pushing her wheelchair around Disneyland Shanghai and encouraging her on some of the rides, in our post-Encontro trip. My mom loved spending time with all of you and the others I don't have names for who were just as helpful. Thank you from the bottom of my heart.



I've always been curious about people, even though I'm an introvert and a homebody by nature. So, I usually only chat with people I feel a connection with. And guess what? I met a seemingly perfect stranger on a plane, named Timothy. We became friends in minutes. Turns out, I knew his grandfather, Fred da Silva, from volunteering at social events years ago when I was a volunteer club photographer for both UMA and Lusitano. Just so happens we knew many of the same people who were both our cousins.

And so, I thought it was a one-time encounter with a stranger, but when I was waiting for our next adventure (for my mom and me) at the hotel lobby a few days later after we had arrived in Macau, a woman sat next to me. We started chatting, and next thing you know, she mentioned Chris da Roza, which I replied something like, "I know him too, he's my friend", and she said, "He's my brother", and I then said, "...you must know the Reyes, and the Carions" from Pacifica.

Needless to say, I was delighted and followed up by saying, "You must be Linda." Her eyes instantly lit up. And I guess we both started to glow when I mentioned the d'Aquinos, our mutual cousins we both adore. The conversation went on for a few more minutes before it was time to go. I guess the world could only get smaller by the days as we meet more strangers. Ha! Ha!

There are probably countless other fun stories I could tell you about the many other people I encounter by chance with similar coincidences. That's why I said, "Four times a charm". And that's why I loved coming to the Encontro so much. It's the people that really that makes me and my mom happy.

The fact that the Macanese people all came here to meet someone or be somewhere tells you a lot. There are many reasons to come to the Encontro, not just because Macau is the place to be, where we can try to walk on the footsteps of our ancestors' past.

I, however, have only one reason: to have a good time with my mom and to mix and mingle like my parents love to do. They were the social butterflies of their generations, and I guess I'm a little like them.

I really believe that the younger and future generations play a big role here. Our ancestors have left us a rich history and a treasure trove of knowledge to learn from. It's almost impossible to absorb everything in a few days or a week. That's why I keep coming back for more. I want to learn about our shared Macanese family history and what we've become. But I also want to experience the humanity and the connections we share with others who seemed like strangers at first, only to realize later that we may have more in common than we think.

The Macanese have always been on the move. In the late 1800s and early 1900s, Shanghai was booming with trade and opportunities and jobs were much better, even the standards of living were improved as far as I know. So, in the spring of 1901, my dad Rigo Roliz's Collaço family of 8, including his grandparents and their 4 grown up children, one being my grandmother Maria Collaço moved to Shanghai. But unfortunately, their good times there were short-lived, when the once prosperous and bustling international city of Shanghai became a battleground for the Chinese Communist Party and the Kuomintang (nationalist party) during the Shanghai Campaign in 1949, when the Communist Party won and began pressuring all the foreigners to leave their home sweet home of many generations. This was then when my 27 year old dad and many of his family and friends from all over the Macanese community, left for the good of survival and thus became refugees to Macau, and then to Hong Kong.

That was pretty much the beginning and end of the last Macanese Diaspora until 1999 when Macau was returned to China. Many of our ancestors were divided or separated and ended up in other countries. They were eventually integrated into other nationalities, cultures, customs, and traditions, with much more mixed blood than ever before, and now many don't even know they are actually Macanese and have a rich past in Macau.

That is why I believe the young Macanese today plays a big part in helping to restore the faith of our people everywhere they are.

The future of Macau now depends on you, the young and future generations. You're our hope for a new era or world.

Viva Macau! Viva gente Macaense!

PETE MCCLEAVE - MACAU ENCONTRO “10’000 DONORS” STEM CELL AWARENESS



I am rarely lost for words, but attending the Encontro in Macau this month surpassed all of my hopes and aspirations.

When I first connected with you all at Lusitano some five years ago, I never thought that trip would lead to one of the highlights of a lifetime.

Your warmth, interest in my story and promotion of my campaign when I came to San Francisco blew me away. What I experienced in Macau was an extension of that original trip and the success I felt my attendance achieved was in no small part a result of your support.

From the moment Maria told me about the Encontro, I knew I had to attend at least one event. This was of course predicated on my own health and ability to travel; quite the leap of faith given I started planning this trip 14 months ago.

But fortune was on my side and I cannot tell you how much I enjoyed the week; spending time with so many of you and having the platform from which I could project my 10’000 Donors stem cell campaign.

The pinnacle was of course my speech at the closing ceremony which I think was well received (thanks to you all, my US extended Lusitano family for making a hell of a racket when I stood up! I heard you!)

This was always going to be my best chance of engaging en masse with the group of people most likely to connect me with that elusive stem cell match. And as slim as the odds are, I can now say that regardless of what happens in the future, I did all I could to help myself. As did you. So there you go. Encontro 2024 done.

I am planning on going back to Macau in 2025 to continue working on getting better representation for our community on the stem cell register. As well as organ, blood etc... basically, so no one else in our world has to accept the lack of access to a lifesaving treatment just because of their heritage.

We all know family and our history are important. My aim is to make sure it is used as a force for positive change.

Merry Christmas and a prosperous New Year to all my Macanese family!

Pete

Editor: We wish Pete the best of luck. Visit below link on ITV news to learn more about Pete McCleave in Macau: <https://www.itv.com/news/granada/2024-12-02/the-father-travelling-6000-miles-in-search-of-a-life-saving-donor>

Our Lusitano Trip to Japan, Macau & Hong Kong

by *Maria Roliz*



Japan

Our trip to the Macau Encontro started in Japan for 60 of us on Nov 25th where we spent 4 days in Osaka, Kyoto, and Nara. This trip was well organized by Braga Travel with top notch hotel accommodations and two comfortable coaches that took us around everyday. The food was sumptuous and the sightseeing was fabulous.



Macau

We stayed once again at the luxurious Grand Lapa Hotel as in the past Encontros and were joined by another 150 Lusitano members at the hotel the next day with some 90 other Lusitano members at various locations

to attend the 2024 Macau Encontro. In attendance, were members of 13 worldwide Casas de Macau that total close to 1400 attendees.





The first function was an informal welcome gathering at the Generations International School in Coloane where Jose de Sales Marques and Leonel Alves of the Conselho das Comunidades Macaenses welcomed everyone.



The next day Lusitano organized a half day Macau sightseeing trip with four full coaches including a visit to A-Ma Temple, the Panda Pavilion, St Francis Xavier Church, the old ship yard museum, and old Coloane including a Portuguese tart treat from the famous Lord Stow's Bakery. It was a good overview of Macau to see its unique blend of Portuguese colonial architecture and mixed Chinese and Portuguese culture and cuisine aside from its extensive casino industry dubbing it "Las Vegas of the East".



On the evening of Dec 1, the official Opening Ceremony of the Encontro was held at the Venetian in Cotai, the largest casino in Macau. It was a beautiful event with lots of food and drinks.



During the week, the Casa Presidents attended a wreath ceremony while some enjoyed a free guided tour of the Monte Fort and Macau museum, a cultural conference and youth gathering at IIM, Portuguese Mass at Se Cathedral, an organized day trip to Hengqin Island or explored Macau's sights and food on their own. Some were even lucky to taste one of the best Macau local food at APOMAC. What a spread!



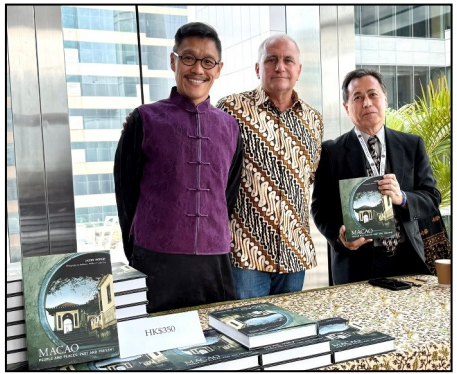
The Encontro Closing Ceremony and dinner was held on Dec 6th back again at the Venetian with another sumptuous buffet, drinks, entertainment, music and dancing. It was a most enjoyable evening, but also sad to have to say goodbye to Macau and our friends. A big THANK YOU to CCM and all involved in making this another fun and successful Encontro.



For more Encontro photos visit:
<https://www.facebook.com/conselhomacaense/photos>

Hong Kong

We left Macau on December 7th on a 45-minute turbojet to Hong Kong, bringing us to Club Lusitano, the oldest Portuguese Club in Hong Kong. There we attended a cha gordo on the top 4 floors of its 27-story building in Central Hong Kong before we all checked into the YMCA for the next few nights. YMCA Salisbury is situated across the waterfront at a great location and always very accommodating to our Lusitano group that has stayed there during the last few Encontros.





Adventures in Hong Kong on Dec 8th included a Lusitano organized tour to the Big Buddha in Lantau Island and Victoria Peak in three full coaches and ended up at Club de Recreio for another Cha Gordo.

Guests of honor included Dr. José Cesário (Secretary of State for the Portuguese Communities), Dra. Paula Medeiros (Deputy to the Assembly of the Republic), Dr. Rui Marcelo (President of the Asia & Oceania Regional Council of the Permanent Council of Portuguese Communities), and Dr. Alexandre Leitão - Consul General of Portugal in Macau & Hong Kong.



Remembrance Service at Club de Recreio.



Lest We Forget Our Boys from Hong Kong, Battle of Hong Kong 8th - 25th December 1941





On Dec 9th, we visited the “Stories of the Hong Kong Portuguese Exhibition” at the Hong Kong Museum. The Exhibition is absolutely beautiful and amazing with all State of the Art interactive displays. Our sincere gratitude to Francisco da Roza for the guided tour for our group and your contributions to this exhibition.



What a nice surprise to see the Escola Camões exhibit and being part of it.

With the lavish daily breakfasts at all our hotels, all the good food and sights, great comradeship during the trip, it's time to say goodbye until our next visit. Thank you everyone for making this such a great trip!



Exhibition

“Estórias Lusas – The Stories of the Hong Kong Portuguese”

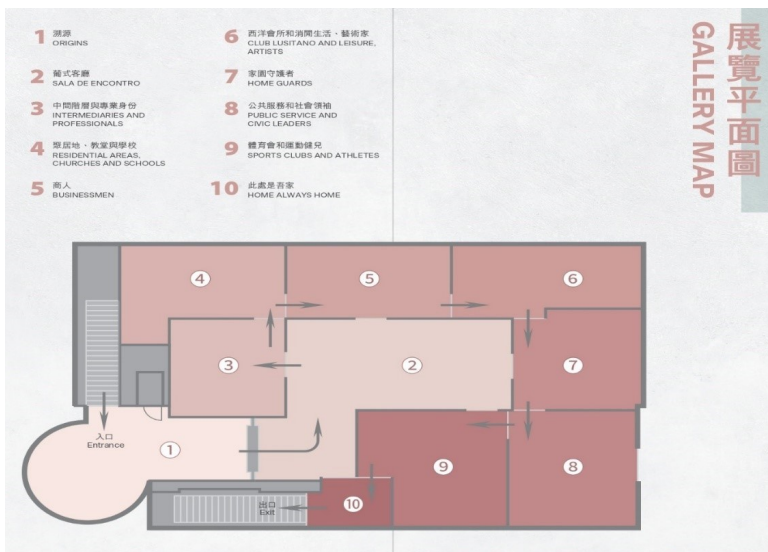
Launched 26th Nov 2024, Hong Kong Museum of History



Officiating Guests –

Mr. Kevin Yeung, Secretary for Culture, Sports and Tourism (R-5th) and Consul General of Portugal for Hong Kong and Macau, Ambassador Alexandre Leitão Portuguese Community- Ruy Barretto, Trustee and Patrick Rozario, President, Club Lusitano (L – 1st and 2nd); Anthony Abraham, President Club de Recreio and Francisco Da Roza, Trustee Club Lusitano and Guest Curator (R – 2nd and 3rd)

A Highlighted Tour of the Gallery



Zone 3 Intermediaries and Professionals



The British accepted the Portuguese from Macau as acclimatised Europeans, mother country Europe and of Christian belief. The Portuguese having been in these parts long before the British and knowing how to deal with the Chinese were accepted by the latter. The Portuguese were linguistically adept. In the newly founded Hong Kong, the Portuguese innately played the middleman role. Positioned middle class socially, culturally and economically, the Portuguese seized the opportunities provided thereof and made a great success of themselves.

So much so that the contributions of the Portuguese community and that of the leading members are not only etched into the socio-economic fabric of the city but that the city continues to benefit in a number of instances.

The above image of the zone, to the right is the ceremonial gown worn by Leonardo D'Almada e Castro Jr. on the occasion of him being conferred with the Honorary Degree of Doctor in Laws, the University of Hong Kong.

The Portuguese community always had a strong presence in the legal sector. The D'Almada e Castro family is an extraordinary example. Incredibly, 18 members of the family were and are in the sector at various time, judges and lawyers. Currently, of the family there is a high court judge, Susana D'Almada Remedios, and a senior counsel, Ruy Barretto. Of the community there is Mr. Justice Roberto Ribeiro, the longest serving Permanent Judge of the Court of Final Appeal. There are a number of senior lawyers practising. Of the younger generation, there is an Executive Director of the Judicial Institute. Judicial training is a more recent development.

The Portuguese community continues to have a strong presence in the legal sector and is also at the forefront of one aspect of the development of the sector.

Zone 7 Home Guards

No higher honour than making the ultimate sacrifice for home That is what the 26 Portuguese sons did defending Hong Kong when Japan invaded on 8th December 1941.

Most poignant is the story of the Reed Brothers, Anglo-Portuguese, father John Reed and mother Maria da Silva. Six served in the Hong Kong Volunteer Defence Corps.

The 4 Reed Brothers killed in the Battle of Hong Kong 8-24 Dec 1941



*Francis Oswald
Gunner 5 AA
Battery*



*Edga Vincent
Pte, No. 3
Eurasian (MG)
Company*



*Arthur Augustus
Pte, No. 3
Eurasian (MG)
Company*



*Steven Arnold
Pte, No. 3
Eurasian (MG)
Company*

First, Francis was killed 18th when the Sai Wan Battery was overrun. **Together**, Edgar and Arthur were killed 19th at the Tai Hang Village, north of Jardine's Lookout. **Succumbed**, Steven was wounded 19th; succumbed 15th January 1942, British Military Hospital.

We honour our fallen sons

LEST WE FORGET

1914 - 1918
MIDDLESEX REGIMENT
SOARES, Francisco Maria

1939 - 1945
Hong Kong Volunteer Defence Corps

ALVES, Henrique Alberto
BARROS, Luiz António
BRITTO, Henrique Maria
CAMPOS, Henrique Maria
FERNANDES, Eduardo A.
FERNANDES, Ignacio Miguel
FRANCO, Eduardo Miguel
GUTERRES, Joaquim J.
HYNDMAN, Edward
JORGE, Francis
LAWRENCE, Jr., Henry
MAHER, António Paulo
MARQUES, Carlos António

MENDONÇA, Miguel
NORONHA, Francisco A.
OZORIO, Manuel M.
PRATA, Manuel
REED, Arthur Augustus
REED, Edga Vincent
REED, Francis Oswald
REED, Stephen Arnold
RIBEIRO, Eduardo A. V.
ROCHA, António João
SEQUÊIRA, Luiz Romano
SILVA, Ambrosio Cesar
SOARES, Alberto Carlos



Annual Remembrance Day Service

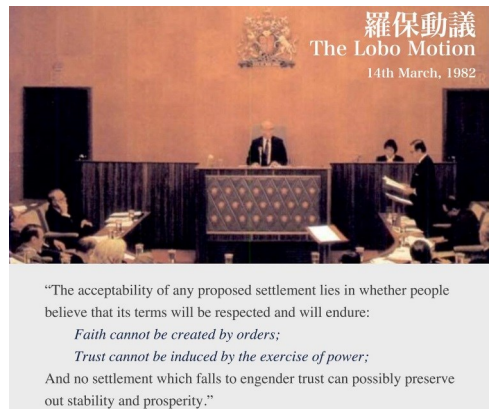
Zone 8 Public Service and Civic Leaders



The two latter-day leading members, Sir Roger Lobo, being showcased in the middle of this image of the zone, and Comendador A. de O. Sales, on the right, they worked for the good of Hong Kong. It was not about party politics or interest group. It was only in one instance that Sales lobbied on behalf of the Portuguese community and that was quite proper for him to do so. He lobbied with the Government of Portugal to grant back citizenship to the members of the community. This was against the background of 1997. He was successful.

***Sir Roger Lobo, the
“Gentleman Knight”,
member of Exco & Legco,
Senior Unofficial Member,
various periods***

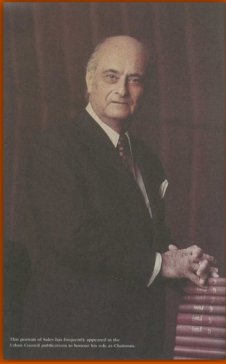
*Sir Roger will always be known
for “The Lobo Motion”.*



In his own words: “These were trying and uncertain times. People were afraid. People would come up to me and say to tell them if I were leaving. I am known as the Lobo motion. I thought that we ought to have a say. The British and the Chinese, they were talking (gesturing cross purposes) what was best for Hong Kong. So, I proposed the motion, we ought to have a say. Many people praised what I did. Others did not. There were cartoons even, one showed me with a broken three-legged stool.”

The motion was unanimously passed by Legco six months before the signing of the Sino-British Joint Declaration but despite receiving unanimous support from the members of the chamber, it was never implemented.

Arnaldo A. de Oliveira, “Mayor of Hong Kong”, first Unofficial Chairman of the Urban Council, 1973 – 1981



During Tenure

Sports for All:
Major promotion of amateur sports training/activities.
Swimming Pools:
Built pools all over Hong Kong accessible to all.
Green Urbanscape:
Neighbourhood parks built.
Museum/Libraries:
Space Museum, 1980. A network of public libraries built.
Arts:
Foundation HK Academy Performing Arts/Cultural Centre.
Sponsored HK Arts Festival and numerous performing arts.

A Legacy

Sales had the vision and the drive to have these public facilities built and developed. It is his contribution that Hong Kong is such a livable city that it is today and which is an oasis of culture. The contribution of Sales made the society more level.

**Zone 9
Sports Clubs
and Athletes
Arnaldo A.
de Oliveira,
“Mr. Sport”,
President of the
Amateur Sports
Federation
and Olympic
Committee,
1967 – 1998**



The Agreement between the IOC and the ASF & OC HK (replica). Compliment of the SF and OC HK China



Through his official standing and his personal relationships, Sales secured the status of the HKSAR participating in international sporting competitions in the city’s own name.

The city participating in international sporting competitions is as enshrined in Article 143, the Basic Law.

This is the legacy of Sales.

A rich tapestry of the stories of the achievements by the Portuguese community

There are more stories being showcased at the exhibition. The history of the community is deeply intertwined with Hong Kong. Hong Kong is home. The involvement and the achievements are across almost the whole span of Hong Kong.

Unique Culture

Zone 2

Sala de Encontro -

Meeting Lounge where our unique culture is displayed.

The Catholic religion is central to us. The Portuguese in going around the world, never wavered in the practice of their faith. We inherited the faith.

Our food culture is rich. In coming to this part of the world, the Portuguese had to adapt using local ingredients. But they carried on with their cooking methods. Marrying local women where they settled birthed the first East/West fusion culinary tradition which we, their descendants, inherited.

Our dialect, Patuá, was born out of necessity as contact language. Portuguese was simplified with local words and phrases integrated. Our dialect is known as “Sweet Talking”.

As posited by Prof. Emma Teng, author of “*Eurasians*”, “Of the Hong Kong Eurasians, the Hong Kong Portuguese are altogether different”. One factor is our unique culture.

A Visitor’s Comments

“The exhibition is fantastic. You have reason to be proud. It’s very comprehensive, informative, interactive and engaging. I love the visual design of the spaces, and the ceiling displays as well. It’s also very human, not didactic, with no sense of a policy-influenced narrative. I walked away with a strong sense of the Luso contribution to Hong Kong’s development. The government of the day is but the backdrop. This is the story of the Hong Kong Portuguese community.”

Francisco A. Da Roza, Guest Curator

Exhibition webpage with pamphlet:

<https://hk.history.museum/en/web/mh/exhibition/HK-Portuguese.html>



Word Search

Here are some places Lusitano members visited pre, during, and post Encontro. See if you can find them scrambled upwards, downwards, across, backwards, or diagonally

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CASTLE MACAU COLOANE TAIPA COTAI
MUSEUM CASINO ZHUHAI HENGQIN HONGKONG
KOWLOON LANTAU PEAK RESTAURANTS HOTELS

M U S T N A R U A T S E R O O L
M S A M A C A U A N A I S A C W
A E C O L A P R K A N H H A A O
C M E H E N G E A R T R S R S K
A J N E C A P A A S A T H A I G
T A A P A J I R R K L C R I N N
O O O A S A A T H E N G Q I N O
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P K C O I E M I T N R O H O O S
O E V W P S U E E A I A T O C E
A G A A K T E S K P A L A L K T
I N R Y O E S T S A H A I W A O
T A O A W P U S S K U N R O S H
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Z L I A H U H Z R L A N P R S A
A A C A S I N R E S T A R A N T

RECIPE by Dorothy Oliveira

Portuguese Milk Tarts (Queijadas de Leite)

Makes 18



Ingredients:

- 2 cups sugar
- 1/2 cup butter melted
- 4 eggs at room temperature
- 1 cup flour
- 2 cups milk
- 1 tbl cinnamon optional
- 2 tbls sugar optional

Method:

- Cream butter and sugar together
- Add eggs and mix well
- Add flour and mix
- Add milk slowly and mix well
- Grease muffin pans well
- Pour in batter
- Bake at 400F for 20-30 minutes or when the sides of the tarts turn brown and crusty
- Remove the tarts from muffin pan when hot by running a knife around the sides and lift out. Place into cupcake liners

Optional: Mix cinnamon & sugar and sprinkle on top of each tart
Serve at room temperature and enjoy!

Websites of Interest

Consulate General of Portugal in San Francisco

<https://www.saofrancisco.consuladoporugal.mne.pt/en/>

Macanese Families

(A website dedicated to preserving and disseminating our Macanese culture, history, and genealogy)

<http://www.macaneseibrary.org>

Macanese Recipes

<http://www.macanese recipes.org>

Instituto Internacional Macau (IIM)

(Published books on this website may be available from Lusitano)

<https://www.iimacau.org.mo/>

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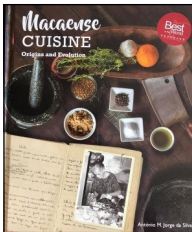
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